

The Chairman, Leonard Bertin, called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm Wednesday, March 6, 2002.

Present:	L. Bertin, member	K. Gauri, member
	S. Burt, alt member	D. Pietron, member
	T. House, member	J. Shah, alt member
	J. Rodgers, member	

Also		
Present:	J. Ong, student	M. Grusnick, staff
	M. McGinnis, staff	

Absent:	A. Done, member	N. Johnson, member
	D. Kuschinsky, member	S. Lu, student
	C. Buchanan, member	

ITEM B - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2002

Rodgers moved to approve the minutes of February 6, 2002. Supported by Gauri. All voted in favor.

ITEM C - VISITORS, DELEGATIONS AND GENERAL PUBLIC

ITEM D - NEW BUSINESS

Bertin has received a letter of resignation from Diane Kasunic, an alternate member of this Committee. She stated that her employment situation has changed and will be out of town when this Committee meets. Bertin stated that the Committee would reluctantly accept her resignation.

Pauline Manetta has made request to become a member of the Disabilities Committee and has attended some previous meetings. Grusnick will call Manetta to see if she is still interested in becoming a member.

ITEM E - REGULAR BUSINESS

Grusnick will ask Carla Vaughn, Recreational Supervisor, to be a guest at the next meeting of the Disabilities Committee to discuss the Community Center events schedule.

Bertin would like to request that City Council review ordinances at Napierville, IL and Tempe, AZ that have both recently passed city ordinances requiring greater accessibility for all new construction including new single family homes that provide no step entrances.

ITEM F - OLD BUSINESS

Bertin attended the last meeting of the Troy Daze Committee and reported back to the Committee. He stated that at present there is not a lay out of the fair grounds, but it will be forthcoming. The Troy Daze Committee was very receptive to the suggestion from this Committee that internal shuttles for the disabled be used during the fair. They are also considering transporting people in golf carts and their wheel chairs on flat beds to get them to the tent area.

The Troy Daze Committee is seeking volunteers for help during special needs children day on Thursday and seniors on Friday. The idea of re-establishing a picnic for persons with disabilities will be looked into.

Bertin has not had a chance to work on the Persons with Disabilities Brochure, but asked for a draft for the next meeting. Gauri will work on words for brochure; he requested a copy of the mission statement. It was suggested by Bertin that it also tell about the meetings on the first Wednesday of each month, and that meetings are open to anyone who wants to attend. Also, this Committee would like the Building Department phone number listed in the brochure as a contact number.

Bertin would like to see the Disabilities Committee have its own e-mail address. Grusnick will ask Cindy Stewart if this is possible.

ITEM G - INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Gauri attended the opening ceremonies and ribbon cutting of the new Nature Center. Gauri stated that he observed three (3) parking spaces that are for the disabled, but that the access is not paved.

ITEM H - ADJOURN

Motion was made to adjourn by Rodgers and seconded by ~~Dene~~ House. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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